

TWINKLES

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STOOD HER.



At a dinner party recently given at an English country house the coachman had come in to help wait at the table. Among the guests was a very deaf old lady.

Coachman, in handing vegetables, comes to deaf party. "Peas, mum?" says John. No answer. "Peas, mum?" louder. Still no answer from the D. P., but placing her ear-trumpet to her ear, she lifts it interrogatively to the man, who, glancing down and seeing the tube, ejaculates: "Well, it's a rum way of taking them, but I suppose she likes it. Here goes!" and down went the peas into the ear trumpet.

TEETH IN HER TOES

"Did the kitty hurt you?" asked papa, seeing his little boy's puckered face. "Yes," answered Charlie, "that kitty has got teeth in her toes."

THE BOSS' FORESIGHT

The Boss: "You want to be office boy, eh? Well, your references seem all right. I'll hire you—on condition that your mother isn't ver ill, your grandmother doesn't die, your uncle doesn't make you his heir and your cousin from the country never visits you."—*Echo*.

SOME HOPE LEFT

Wife: "The flour is all out."

Husband: "So is my money."



Wife: "The coal is all gone."

Husband: "So is my credit."

Wife: "Well, we can't starve."

Husband: "Can't we? That's good. I was afraid we might."



FEMININE NATURE.

Shopkeeper: "What can I do for you, Mrs. Stoneback?"

Mrs. Stoneback: "Send me four bushels of coal, two chickens and one pound of tea."

Shopkeeper: "Anything else, m'm?"

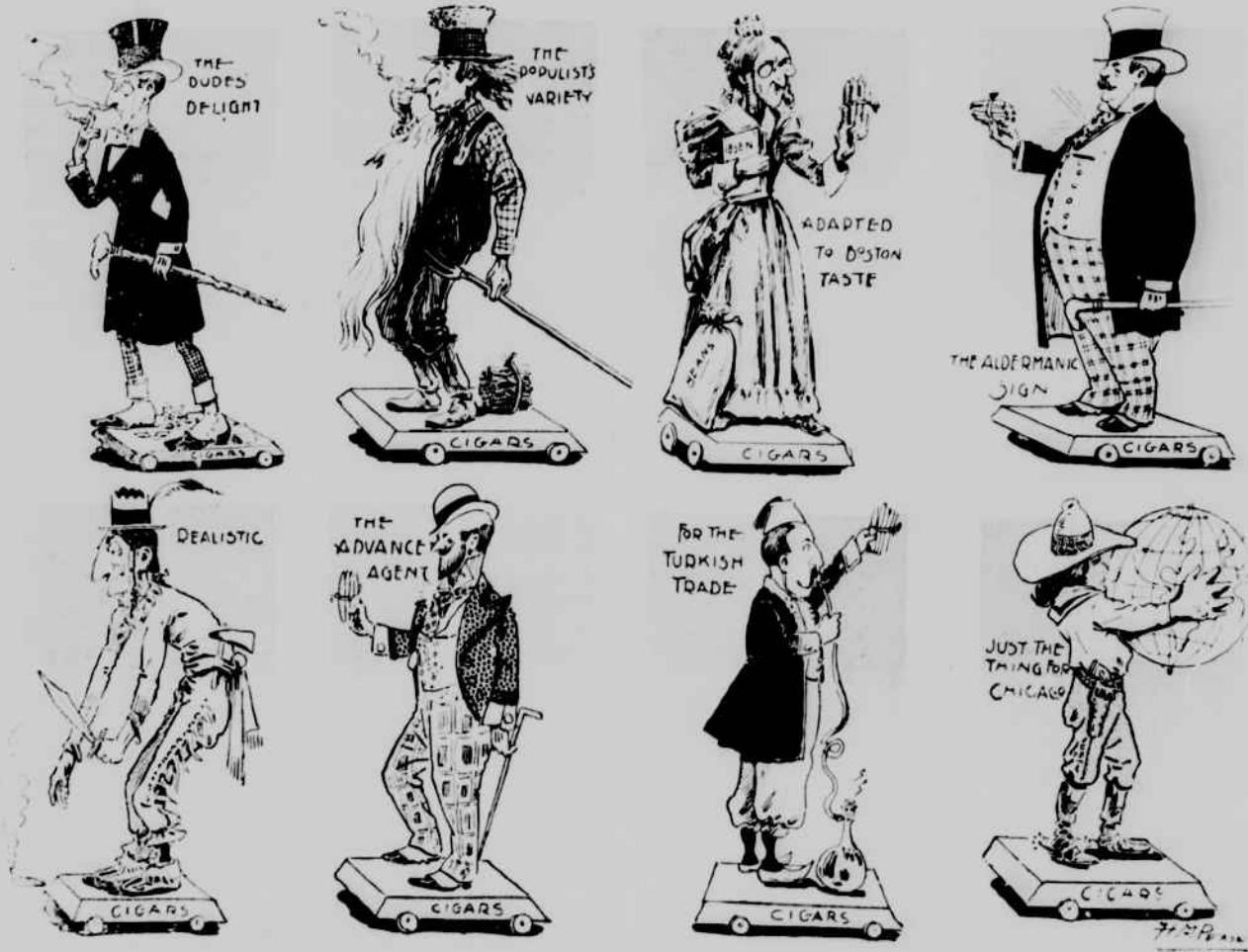
Mrs. Stoneback: "Yes, do tell me what Mrs. Wayback wore when she called here this morning?"

SPEED THE PARTING GUEST.

On trains which go with lightning speed
Men spend their time and skill,

But nothing made will ever go

As quick as money will.



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